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HOUSE BILL 2808

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 41-1273, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE BUDGET COMMITTEE.

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1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:
2 Section 1. Section 41-1273, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:

4 **41-1273. Budget analyst: employees: duties**

5 A. The joint legislative budget committee shall appoint a budget
6 analyst and other clerical and technical employees that may be required.

7 B. The budget analyst shall serve full time as staff director and
8 receive compensation as determined pursuant to section 38-611. The budget
9 analyst, as a prerequisite for appointment, shall have demonstrated the
10 budget analyst's competency and ability in the field of finance either in
11 private business or public work.

12 C. The budget analyst may be removed from office prior to expiration
13 of the budget analyst's term if, voting separately, a majority of the members
14 of each body constituting the joint legislative budget committee votes in
15 favor of removal.

16 D. The budget analyst shall prepare for distribution an analysis of
17 the governor's budget as soon after the budget is presented to the
18 legislature as is possible. The analysis, among other things, shall include
19 recommendations of the budget analyst for revisions in expenditures.

20 E. In consultation with the governor's office of strategic planning
21 and budgeting, the budget analyst shall determine and report to the governor
22 and the legislature an estimate of appropriations subject to the limit
23 imposed by article IX, section 17, Constitution of Arizona. The report shall
24 be published by February 15 of each year for the preceding fiscal year, for
25 the current fiscal year and for the ensuing fiscal year to reflect the budget
26 recommendations of the joint legislative budget committee.

27 F. By November 1 of each odd-numbered year, the budget analyst shall
28 report and recommend to the committee:

29 1. A listing of funds that are recommended for elimination or
30 consolidation that represents not more than seven per cent of the total
31 number of funds in existence, including all federal, state and other sources
32 of monies and grants.

33 2. A listing of funds for conversion from nonappropriated status to
34 appropriated status that represents not more than seven per cent by dollar
35 amount estimated of all state nonappropriated funds.

36 **G. FOR EVERY LAW THAT REQUIRES THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE BUDGET COMMITTEE
37 OR THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON CAPITAL REVIEW TO REVIEW AN AGENCY PROGRAM,
38 ACTIVITY OR EXPENDITURE, IF EITHER COMMITTEE RENDERS AN UNFAVORABLE REVIEW,
39 THE BUDGET ANALYST SHALL PREPARE A DOCUMENT DETAILING THE NATURE OF THE
40 REVIEW, THE REASONS FOR THE UNFAVORABLE REVIEW AND THE AGENCY'S RESPONSE TO
41 THE UNFAVORABLE REVIEW. THE DOCUMENT SHALL BE ON RED PAPER AND SHALL BE
42 DISTRIBUTED TO EACH MEMBER OF THE LEGISLATURE AFTER THE COMMITTEE REVIEW AND
43 AT THE NEXT BUDGET HEARING FOR THE AGENCY.**

44 **H.** The legislature in making its appropriation for the operation
45 of the legislature shall allocate a portion thereof for the operation of the
46 joint legislative budget committee.